जारी किये जाने वाले प्रस्तावित विशेष स्मारक डाक-टिकटों की सूची संलग्न विवरण में दी गई है । (नीचे देखिए)

(ख) से (घ) खुदा बख्श ओरियन्टल लाइब्रेरी पर डाक-टिकट जारी करने का 1994 में अनुमोदन किया गया । विभाग को रजा स्टेट लाइब्रेरी, रामपुर पर डाक-टिकट जारी करने के अनुरोध प्राप्त हुए हैं । मौलाना हसरत मोहानी पर डाक-टिकट जारी करने के लिए कोई प्रस्ताव प्राप्त नहीं हुआ है । डाक-टिकट जारी करने का निर्णय लिए जाने के उपरान्त ही जारी किए जाने की तारीख निर्धारित की जा सकती है ।

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गैर-सरकारी एजेंसियों के माध्यम से विज्ञापन

3739. **श्री मोहम्मद अफजल उर्फ सीम अफजल** । क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि इनका मंत्रालय अपने विज्ञापन डी० ए० वी० पी० द्वारा जारी न करके गैर-सरकारी एजेंसियों के माध्यम से जारी कर रहा है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो इनका ब्यौरा क्या है तथा इसके क्या कारण है; और

(ग) विज्ञापन जारी करने के लिए चुनी गई ऐसी एजेंसियों के नाम क्या क्या हैं ?

संचार मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री सुखराम) ।

(क) से (ग) सूचना एकत्र की जा रही हैं और उसे सभा-पटल पर रख दिया जाएगा ।

Postal services in the country

3740. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATION be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that postal services both in the rural and urban areas continue to be inefficient and that there are persistent complaints in this regard;

(b) if so, what measures have been taken by Government to identify shortcomings in the postal services in the country; and

(c) whether any changes in the Indian Post Office Act are contemplated to provide efficient postal services in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) The Postal Services in India has a widespread network of more than 1,52,000 Post Offices which receive and deliver mails and provide other postal services. In such a widespread network certain inefficiencies and complaints about deficiency of service are inevitably noticed, but on the whole, the service is run on efficient lines.

(b) In he recent past, Government had appointed an expert committee on excellence in postal services to identify the shortcomings in the postal service and suggest remedial measures. Many of the recommendations of this committee have been implemented and others are in various stages of implementation. In order to get an independent feedback on the state of postal service, Government have also appointed a Social Audit Panel comprising eminent citizens. This Panel has made several useful recommendations to improve the services. The Deptt. of Posts has a system of regular review and monitoring of the mail delivery throughout the country and remedial steps are taken CATIONS be pleased to state :

(c) A committee to recommend amendments to the Indian Post Office Act, 1898 was appointed by the Govt., which has since submitted its report. Necessary amendments to the existing Indian Post Offices Act will be made after the Govt. decides on the recommendations of the Post Office Act Review Committee.

STD/ISD Booths on the National Highways

3741. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) the total number of STD/ISD Booths on National Highways in the country ; and

(b) the total number of requirement of such booths and the steps taken by Government to meet the requirement ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKHRAM) : (a) and (b) The required information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

LIMITING THE DURATION OF LOCAL CALLS

3742. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have made any assessment of the impact of limiting the duration of local calls in Metros, on the traffic congestion;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof and if not, what are the reasons therefor; and

(c) what is the increase of total amount due to this duration limitation of local calls?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKHRAM) : (a) No, Sir. Many factors count towards increase or decrease of traffic and to isolate the effect only on this account is not feasible.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Assessment is not possible. With new STD routes opening every day and business activities increasing, to isolate revenue increase, if any, on this account is not feasible.

Filling up of Posts Reserved for ST/SC

3743. SHRI G. Y. KRISHNAN : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of promotions given since 1979 to Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe employees alongwith General Employees;

(b) the number of promotions given ever since 1974 to Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Officers in each grade of posts as per the 40 point promotional rosters ; and

(c) the number of posts filled by recruitments in each workman category and in each grade of officers ever since 1974 and the number of posts reserved for Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe candidates and filled therein at each level and grade?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKHRAM) : (a) to (c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House shortly.

Non Transfer of Money by Money Changer

@3744. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY : Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item which appeared in the 'Indian Express' dated 30th January, 1994 that one Mr. Kingsley Anthony Fernandes, a money-changer, licensed by Reserve Bank of India fled to U.S. after cheating NRIs ;

(b) whether it is a fact that though he is a money-changer under Reserve Bank of India licence No. 276/92, he never transferred to India the money he took from unsuspecting Indian immigrant workers ;

@Previously unstarred Question 2793, transferred from the 16th March, 1994.